



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Trung T. Doan

Serial No.: 09/133,989

Filed: August 14, 1998

For: CHEMICAL DISPENSING SYSTEM FOR
SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER PROCESSING

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Dear Sir:

Per the Examiner's Office Action of February 28, 2001, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite the appropriate claim to the form indicated below.

20. (Thrice amended) A material removal system for a wafer, comprising:

a negative pressure device defining a vacuum area on more than one side of said wafer

while said device is in an operational position; and

a solvent dispenser intersecting said vacuum area and aligned with an edge of said wafer

while said device is in said operational position.